

# Playground 'Open House' Saturday

**ANN LANDERS**



## Treat It Like Illness

Dear Ann Landers: I never dreamed I'd write to a newspaper columnist for help, but I can't find the answers alone anymore.

My husband and I are both college graduates. We have three handsome sons. I am ashamed to tell you, but my husband started to collect pornography during adolescence and he can't break the habit.

I have found dozens of obscene pictures and "toys" stuffed between the rafters in the attic, in shoe boxes, in silverware drawers, under the carpets and even in the trunk of his car. Every time I find something new I get sick to my stomach. It is almost as if he plants this junk around where I'm sure to run into it.

Whenever I confront him with a new discovery, he tells the most bizarre lies insists someone is trying to frame him—that he never saw the stuff before. Then he breaks down and cries and promises he'll never do it again.

Yesterday our 12-year-old son found some pictures and asked me whose they were. I said I didn't know. Please tell me what to do about this problem before I crack up. — CAN'T SIGN MY NAME

Dear Can't: Your husband's hang-up dates back to childhood and you must treat it as an illness, which it is most assuredly.

Stop registering shock, disappointment and anger. Tell your husband, calmly, that he must select one hiding place for his collection, that it must be kept locked, that you will keep one key and he will keep the other. Explain that when you find bits and pieces of his collection around you'll put it where it belongs. Then do it and say nothing.

Part of your husband's sick kick is witnessing you over-react when you discover the junk. When you reduce your hysteria he'll probably be less interested in his collection.

Dear Ann Landers: My father and mother are divorced. My father has a lady friend and he spends whatever spare time he has with her. He really doesn't have much spare time, though, because he works two jobs, which add up to 16 hours a day.

My mother works a double shift and puts in 15 hours a day. I am just getting into my teens and it seems I have lots of problems and nobody to talk to. I can't call my mother at work because it's against the rules. My father doesn't want to hear from me about my troubles because he has already told me he has plenty of his own.

I have gone to my teachers so many times I am ashamed to bother them anymore. Ineed some grown-up help. The future frightens me. — LONESOME GIRL

Dear Girl: Don't be ashamed to continue to go to your teachers for counsel. Teachers can be wonderfully helpful and, thank heavens, there are many who want to help. And don't forget about me, Toots. I'll listen any time you want to unload. That's what I'm here for.

Confidential to What Shall I Say?: Say NO and make it clear that nothing is going to happen until he comes up with a license. What he'd like, of course, is a learner's permit which is a very old story, my dear. Don't buy it.

Want to say "no" to drinking without your buddies putting you down? Get speed in. Write for "Booze and You For Teen-Agers Only" by Ann Landers. Send 25¢ in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request. Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of the Press-Herald enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

## Hahn Demands Showdown On Smog Control Issue

A face-to-face showdown between state and county officials on the effectiveness of automobile smog control devices was demanded this week by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

In February, Hahn testified before the Senate Subcommittee on Air and Water Pollution that the California motoring public had to purchase approximately \$47 million worth of smog control devices for 1966 cars and that these devices were proving ineffective.

He called the devices "potential junk."

Hahn based his statement on figures supplied by County Air Pollution Control Officer Louis Fuller showing that of 227 vehicles with less than 2,000 miles each, 37 per cent failed to meet State standards. The percentage of failure increased with more mileage, and of 15 vehicles with more than 20,000 miles, 87 per cent failed.

At the same time, Eric P. Grant, executive officer of the State Motor Vehicle Pollution Control Board, testified that the devices were effective.

"These conflicting statements must be resolved," Hahn said.

FACTS SHOW the emission from automobiles with exhaust control systems will not meet the state standards of 275 p.p.m. hydrocarbons and 1.5 per cent carbon monoxide imposed by the State Motor Vehicle Pollution Control Board.

Hahn said that since the devices are failing, the automobile industry should equip each 1966 car with an effective device at no expense to the motorists. The devices originally cost each buyer of a new car approximately \$55.

## Del Amo Manager To Speak

Harry G. Gorman, resident manager of Del Amo Properties, Inc., will discuss plans for the Del Amo Financial Center at a meeting of the Riviera Homeowners Association next Monday.

The session will begin at 8 p.m. at the Parkway School, 220 Via Riviera, Mrs. Louis Kaplan, president of the association, said.

The Del Amo Financial Center is under construction at the intersection of Carson Street and Hawthorne Boulevard. The first unit is scheduled to open in July.



**YOUNG HERO** . . . Jon Wallenius, 23, a Redondo Beach resident who was decorated three times for heroic military service in Vietnam, has been named Citizen-of-the-Month of May. He will be honored at a Rotary luncheon today.

## Vietnam Veteran Named Citizen-of-the-Month

Jon Wallenius, a veteran of Vietnam who was decorated three times for heroism, has been named Citizen-of-the-Month for May by Great Lakes Properties, Inc. He will be honored today at a luncheon of the Rotary Club of Redondo Beach.

Wallenius, who lives at 1807 Slauson Lane, Redondo Beach, was chief of the Mortar Section of the 2nd Battalion, 7th U.S. Cavalry, 1st Air Cavalry Division, during his ten-month tour in Vietnam which ended in May, 1966.

Winner of a Purple Heart for combat wounds sustained on a search and destroy mission in March, 1966, he was also awarded two Bronze Stars. The first he received in 1965 for rescuing three

wounded infantrymen under fire in the battle of IaDrang. He won the second for meritorious service against the enemy throughout his entire tour of duty.

Recently he was decorated by the Commandant of Ft. MacArthur with the Air Medal in recognition of 82 helicopter combat missions.

Today Wallenius is an art major at El Camino College and is employed by Garrett Corp. where his classified duties include testing space suits for interplanetary travel. He is 23 years old and married to the former Susan Griffith of Manhattan Beach.

## State Pays \$553,000 In Claims

Capitol News Service

SACRAMENTO — A total of \$553,094 in unemployment insurance claims was paid from the Torrance office of the state department of employment in April, Peter Weinberger, director, announced today.

He also reported that the total payment throughout the state for the month amounted to \$46,040,853.

Bulk of the payments came from the California unemployment insurance fund, which is supported by an employer tax. The payments also included those made to former civilian workers of the federal government, and former members of the armed forces, from funds supplied by the federal government.

## Summer Preview Of Parks

A massive preview of summer programs scheduled for Torrance Parks and Playgrounds is set for Saturday as the Torrance Recreation Department sponsors its 15th annual Spring Open House.

Emphasizing the program theme, "On the Go with TRD," mobile units that will be used for travel to the many parks and playgrounds during the summer will be on display. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. at the Torrance Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd.

On display with the mobile units will be game booths, demonstrations, and special interest exhibits.

AMONG THE special activities slated for the open house is a variety show presented by youth from the parks and playgrounds and City Finals of the pinewood derby race at 1 p.m. Presentation of awards to the winners of the second annual Creative Writing Contest and winners of the pinewood derby will be at 2:30 p.m.

Bus transportation from the Park areas has been arranged for children and parents who need a ride to the Recreation Center. A 50-cent round trip fee will cover trip insurance and a soft drink. Those interested in a ride should contact the nearest park for the transportation schedule.

INCLUDED IN the displays will be the "Happy Wanderer," a traveling puppet theater; the Nature Museum, a mobile unit which contains a study of natural surroundings such as rocks, animals and material vital to natural resources. "Tribe Arrives," a program designed to introduce children to Indian folklore will also be on display.

A special information booth will be set up to give details on the numerous programs that are available at the parks and playgrounds this summer.

Information on programs of special interest such as day camp, the teenage mountain trips, the aquacade and carnival, and various other activities will be available from the information booth.

EACH PARK and playground will have on display some of the crafts and special programs they have conducted in its particular area.

Hot dogs, punch, candy and balloons will be sold during the day from food booths.

A special attraction in the program will be a "May Pole Dance," with colorful decorations.

Additional information about the Open House may be obtained by calling the Torrance Recreation Department at 328-5310 ext. 241.

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**ROCKET TO TOMORROW** . . . Representative of the advanced playground equipment found at the city parks in Torrance is this rocket, found at Hickory Park. Similar and identical rockets are located at other parks and have furnished many a moon trip for imaginative youngsters.

## Local Girl Brown '68 President

Katherine S. Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter S. Walker of 409 Calle Mayor, has been elected president of her class at Pembroke College in Providence, R. I.

A 1964 graduate of South High School, she is a member of the Class of 1968 at Pembroke and is majoring in English.

In the past, she has served as publicity chairman for the Pembroke Forum, as secretary of the Brown-Pembroke Democratic Club, and was active in the Big-Little Sister Program.

## North High Seniors Win College Grants

Three seniors from North High School have won scholarship awards from the California Scholarship and Loan Commission.

The winners are Dan Chadderdon, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Baker of 2703 W. 181st St.; Lewis Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Buzze of 17108 Ermanita; and Charles Scholes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Scholes of 18302 St. Andrews Place.

Each was selected on the basis of examination scores within the highest 6 per cent of college aptitude. North High had eight students who

qualified as semi-finalists, according to Kay Curry, counselor.

The winners are chosen as academically able students who are in need of financial assistance in college.

Each will receive a maximum of \$1,500 to pay for tuition and fees at the college or university of his choice during the 1967-68 academic year.

Each scholar is entitled to apply for renewal of his academic and financial eligibility regulations.

## COUNT MARCO

## Stay Off the Sauce, Sister

Chivalry being what it is in this country, we refer to an intoxicated woman as an "alcoholic" but a man as a "drunk."

In cocktail lounges when a woman has had one too many, a time judged by the bartender to be when she makes a pass at a man and he yelps "Ouch," she is told politely, "I think you've had enough, Miss."

But a man is told bluntly, "Okay, buster, shove off, you're 86-ed."

If he doesn't, he's tossed out on his ear and goes home to sleep it off.

But she staggers out, slips off the curb into the gutter a couple of times and when finally home, if she can remember enough of the details, she puts them to paper

and makes so much money with a best-seller she can afford to buy a few cases more.

Of course, these nauseating novels and baleful biographies always lay blame for drinking on something else, for example:

"She was a minister's wife and didn't start drinking until she was 60. First it was one glass of sherry, then two, then three until finally one terrible Sunday she hiccupped in the middle of her husband's sermon."

"Mary was the wife of a bank president. She came from a small town. This made her insecure. She kept a bottle hidden in the safety deposit vault but she withdrew too much one time and passed out right in the bank

and Mr. President passed out of her life."

Or you can read about the college student, the nurse, and on and on ad nauseum until any woman idiotic enough to read such trash thinks she is reading about herself and is frightened into drinking.

There are two reasons a woman drinks to excess: You can't get a man or you fear you're losing the one you did get. If it's any consolation to those who "have" and wonder about "having not," mull this quotation over in your mind and the statistic I quote following it:

"Drink not the third glass which thou canst not tame. When once it is within thee." A husband is all the intoxication any woman needs,